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MULTI-PIECE SOLID GOLF BALL

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Group Art Unit: 3711

Examiner: Alvin A. Hunter

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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In response to the Office Action dated November 8, 2001, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith.

REMARKS

Applicants are filing a set of new Formal Drawings concurrently with this Request for Reconsideration.

Claims 1-3 have been examined on their merits, and are all the claims presently pending in the application.

Claims 1-3 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 5,695,413 to Yamagishi et al. (hereinafter Yamagishi '413) in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,779,563 to Yamagishi et al. (hereinafter Yamagishi '563). Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection for at least the reasons set forth below.